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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 3B6 - The Polish expedition to Agalega (3B6/SP9MRO and 3B6/SP9PT) has been rescheduled to take place between 6 and 18 June, provided that the team can get permissions and licence and can find the right ship. Updates will be posted at <http://3b6.godx.eu/> [TNX SP9MRO]
- 3B8 - Mart, DL6UAA will be active again as 3B8MM from Mauritius (AF-049) starting on 5 April for a few weeks. He will operate mostly CW, but will also give SSTV a try (14230 kHz). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. His web site is at <http://www.dl6uaa.de/indexa.html> [TNX W1AW]
- 5H - Sigfrido, 7Q7RS will be working for one year in Tanzania and is currently active as 5H/7Q7RS while awaiting a 5H callsign to be issued to him. QSL via IT9YVO.
- 6Y - Frank, K3TRM (<http://www.k3trm.com/>) will be active as K3TRM/6Y5 from Jamaica (NA-097) from 31 March to 9 April. He plans to operate on 80-10 metres SSB, RTTY, PSK31 with some CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX K3TRM]
- 7P - ZS1RA, ZS1ZL, ZS1APB, ZS1ROY and ZS1FJ will be active from Lesotho between 5 and 12 April. They will operate (requested callsign 7P8DX) from the north border escarpment of the Drakensburg Range (3,000 metres a.s.l.). Plans are to operate with yagis, V-beams and hopefully three stations on the air at the same time. [TNX ZS1FJ]
- 9Q - Georges, 9Q1EK has been active on 160 metres since 21 January, but he has made only 257 QSOs so far, because of the strong QRN. He runs 500 watts into an Inverted L. In a few days time he will be active also on 6 metres, with 200 watts and a 3-element yagi fixed on Europe. QSL via SM5DQC
- 9M6 - Peter, DJ8XW and Heinz, DL2QT are active from the 9M6AAC station until 30 March, CQ WPX SSB Contest included. QSL this operation only via DL2QT, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
- A2 - Frosty, K5LBU is organizing a DXpedition to Botswana, which is scheduled to take place between 5 and 21 July. There are four operators so far, and Frosty would like to find at least two more to join the team. Please contact him at frosty1@pdq.net if interested.
- A5 - Kunio Saito, JA8VE will be working in Bhutan from April through March 2009. He will operate as A52VE on all bands SSB, digital modes and some CW, with 100 watts, inverted V or dipole and maybe a Spider beam. QSL via JF1OCQ. [TNX JF1OCQ]
- CE - Simon, IZ7ATN has had to change his plans [425DXN 827], as bad weather and rough seas prevented him from going and operate from Pupuya Island (SA-095). After operating as OA6/IZ7ATN/p from Isla Blanca (SA-098) on 20-21 March, he now expects to return to Chile for a second attempt to activate Pupuya sometime between 23 and 27 March.
- CU - Pedro, EA1FCH will operate as CU2/EA1FCH from Sao Miguel (EU-003),

Azores from 27 July to 5 August. He plans to concentrate on the low and WARC bands CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX EA1FCH]

- ER - Andy, RW3AH says he will be active as ER/RW3AH from Moldova from 23 March to 12 April. He will pay special attention to 160 and 80 metres, as well as to 20 metres SSB and CW for novices. QSL direct (see qrz.com). Andy might be joined by Valery, RW3GW, who would be signing ER0/R7C or ER0/NA1SA on 8-12 April.
- F - The Council of Europe Radio Club (TP2CE) will be active on SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK from 8 UTC on 30 March until 10 UTC on 1 April. [TNX F6FQK]
- FT - Gildas, TU5KG (FT5XP and FT5WL) is back in the Southern Indian Ocean. He will be sailing in the Kerguelen and Crozet areas until around mid-May, but he will only operate as /mm because he does not plan to land on the islands. QSL via F4EFI. [TNX VA3RJ]
- I - Look for IR8DX to be aired on 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB, CW and RTTY from Santo Janni (EU-144, IIA PZ-001) between 7 and 11 April. QSL via IK8VRH. [TNX IK8VRH]
- I - IT9ABY, IT9IAS, IT9TFX, IT9YMM, IW9HIK and possibly IT9BLB will be active as IE9/IQ9PA from Ustica Island (EU-051) on 13-15 April. QSL direct to IT9TQH. [TNX IT9ABY]
- J6 - Bill, WB5ZAM will be active as J68WI from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 1-13 April. He will operate SSB and CW, with focus on 30 and possibly 40 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]
- JW - Francois, F8DVD will be active once again from Svalbard in April. Look for him to operate as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen ARC on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026), Svalbard on 12-23 April. He plans to be active on all HF bands CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
- OX - Special event station OX60AD (OX Sixty AD) will be active on 1-30 April to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the U.S. Air Force Base at Thule (Pituffik). Expect activity on 6, 10, 15, 17, 20, 40 and 80 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL direct to OX3UR.
- VE - Cezar, VE3LYC and Ken, G3OCA are planning an IOTA operation from East Pen Island, VY0 (NA-231, new one) between 20 and 22 July. They are prepared to have two stations on the air operating CW and SSB from 10 to 40 metres. QSL via VE3LYC, direct or bureau (stations in the United Kingdom can QSL via G3OCA). Cezar says that East Pen Island is "the breeding place of polar bears, which brings interesting challenges to the team". [TNX VE3LYC]
- W - Jim, KA3UNQ operate portable from NA-031 (Aquidneck, Goat and Conanicut islands) on 7-9 April. He plans to "activate" several Rhode Island lighthouses on 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB. QSL direct to home call. [TNX KA3UNQ]
- YV - 4M5 DX Group (<http://4m5dx.org/>) members YV5WW, YV5OHW, YV5RED, YV1RDX, YV1CTE, YV5TX and YV5SSB will be active (SSB, CW and RTTY) as YW1DX from Cayo Sombrero (SA-089) on 27-30 July, IOTA Contest included. Before and after the contest they will concentrate on the WARC bands. QSL via IT9DAA. The team is looking for sponsors/donors for this operation.

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (24-25 March):

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|------------|------------|----------------|---------|
| 3DA0EI | | Swaziland | EI7CC |
| 3XM6JR | SO | Guinea | UA6JR |
| 4E1P | M/M | Philippines | bureau |
| 4L2M | SOSB 20m | Georgia | qrz.com |
| 4L4WW | SOSB 40M | Georgia | EA7FTR |
| 4O3B | SOSB 80m | Montenegro | OH2BH |
| 5C5Z | SOSB 20m | Morocco | W7ZR |
| 5C8A | SOAB LP | Morocco | EA5XX |
| 5D5A | M/S or M/2 | Morocco | I2WIJ |
| 6F75A | SOAB HP | Mexico | EA5KB |
| 8J1S | M/M | Japan | bureau |
| 8J3YAGI | M/M | Japan | JA3YKC |
| 8P1A | SOAB HP | Barbados | NN1N |
| 9K2HN | M/? | Kuwait | 9K2HN |
| 9M4DXX | | West Malaysia | 9M2TO |
| AN8A | M/2 | Canary Islands | EA8AH |
| AO1O | M/? | Spain | EA1EA |
| AO3A | M/? | Spain | EA3URB |
| AO4R | M/M | Spain | EA4TD |
| CN2R | SOSB 160 | Morocco | W7EJ |
| CN5W | M/S | Morocco | EA7FTR |
| D44AC | M/S | Cape Verde | D44AC |
| D69XC | SOAB LP | Comoros | UA9XC |
| EC8ADW | SOSB 15m | Canary Islands | EC8ADW |
| ED8D | SOSB 15m | Canary Islands | EA8BHD |
| EF8A | SOSB 20m | Canary Islands | EA8AUW |
| EK0B | M/? | Armenia | SP9ERV |
| EY3M | SOSB 20m | Tajikistan | qrz.com |
| HF40PAZ | | Poland | SP6PAZ |
| HR2DMR | SOAB HP | Honduras | HR2DMR |
| J75RZ | M/2 | Dominica | W2RZS |
| KH6/JM3PIT | | Hawaii | JM3PIT |
| N0RB/KH7 | SO | Hawaii | N0RB |
| LX7I | SOSB 20m | Luxembourg | LX2A |
| LX8M | M/S | Luxembourg | LX1ER |
| NP3U | M/M | Puerto Rico | WP4U |
| P40W | SOAB HP | Aruba | N2MM |
| P49Y | SOAB | Aruba | AE6Y |
| PJ2T | M/S or M/2 | Neth. Antilles | N9AG |
| PS5S | SO | Brazil | PP5MQ |
| S65X | SO | Singapore | 9V1QQ |
| TA2K | M/S | Turkey | TA2RC |
| TM4Q | M/? | France | F6FYA |
| TM6M | M/? | France | F6KHM |
| TO5A | SOAB HP | Martinique | F5VHJ |
| UK8AKK | | Uzbekistan | EA5KB |
| V31RG | SO | Belize | K4VU |
| VP57V | | Turks & Caicos | W5CW |
| VR2C | M/2 | Hong Kong | VR2NN |
| W4V | | USA | NW4V |
| XR6T | M/S | Chile | CE6TC |
| YT6A | SOSB 20m | Montenegro | |
| YU8ALR | SO | Serbia | YT1CS |

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|-------------|-----|----------|-------|
| ZP0R | SO | Paraguay | W3HNK |
| ZY5100SCOUT | M/M | Brazil | PY5CA |
| ZY7C | M/S | Brazil | PT7WA |

Don't forget to give a look to the Announced Operations for this year's event maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2007.html>

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC HONOR ROLL ---> The deadline to be shown in the next DXCC Honor Roll list is 31 March. Submissions must be postmarked 31 March 2007 for them to count for this listing. The DXCC Honor Roll list will appear in August 2007 QST. There are 337 entities on the DXCC list and you must be within the numerical top 10 DXCC entities to qualify. The current minimum requirement for Honor Roll is 328 current entities (deleted entities do not count towards this level).

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: DXØJP (Spratly Islands); 9M4SDX (Spratly Islands); 9U9Z (Burundi), YWØDX (Aves Island); 1A4A (Sovereign Military Order Of Malta). [TNX NC1L]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Syl, F5TLN says he is not the QSL manager for TU5KC and has "nothing to do" with him. According to qrz.com, the QSL route is: Didier Butz, E 43 Riviera 3 BP 1691 Abidjan 18 CI, Abidjan, Ivory Coast.

QSL 3V8SF ---> Antonio, IZ8CCW is the new QSL manager for 3V8SF, the Scout Radio Club station at Sfax. For the time being Antonio can confirm contacts made on 1 January 2007 and after, old logs will follow.

QSL 4Z5KJ ---> Alex should like to remind those who work him that his QSL manager is W0MM (Laurent D. Thomin, 1615 Beaconsfield Rd, Houston, TX 77077-3817, USA). Alex is often on business trips outside Israel, and enjoys lighthouse activities (pictures can be found at <http://kajotus.fotoplenka.ru/album290041/>).

QSL G3NOM ---> Tom, GM4FDM is the QSL Manager for Ray, G3NOM, who has not been on the radio since November 2004, when he had a major stroke. Recently Tom received a package from one of Ray's HS friends containing a number of direct and bureau QSL cards sent to Thailand. Tom will try to honour all these requests either by the bureau or direct (the latter irrespective of whether the IRC is valid or not, as they were all valid when posted). Tom has logs and blank cards for: 5B4/G3NOM, 9M2OM/P, 9M2/G3NOM, 9M2OM, A52OM, E22DX, E28DX, G3NOM, HS0AC/2, HS2AC, HS0/G2NOM, JT4/G3NOM, S21U, S2/G3NOM, XY1HT and ZC6/G3NOM (he also has logs for V8NOM, but no cards for this one). As for 160 metres, Tom used to verify them with Ray before responding; under the current circumstances, Tom says that he cannot confirm your QSO, "unless it is very clear in the logs". Should you have any questions, please contact Tom

(tom@gm4fdm.com) and refrain from sending further cards to Thailand. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

QSL YX0A & YX0LIX ---> "If you've not received your card by mid-April", Steve Wheatley (KU9C) says, "feel free to email me (ku9c@yahoo.com); at that time I'll be able to provide status". Exception: YX0A and/or YX0LI cards sent in the same envelope with QSLs for other calls managed by Steve will be delayed, and Steve "cannot easily predict when I'll be done with those".

+ SILENT KEY + Alexandr Barmushkin, EX8AA, one of the most active operators in Kyrgyzstan, passed away on 19 February after a long illness. Bek, EX8AB says that all of the outstanding QSL cards "will be replied, for sure".

+ SILENT KEY + Paolo, IK2QPR (Leo's QSL manager) reports that Leonid Velikanov, UN2O passed away on 12 March.

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
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LOGS: The 9M4SDX (Spratly Islands) log is available at http://9m4sdx.dxers.net/log_search/search.html

LOGS: On-line logs for TC0DX (Gokceada, EU-186) and YM0DX (Bozcaada, AS-099), as well as pictures and further information, are available at <http://www.okdxf.eu/ankety/tc0dx/en/tc0dx.php>

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/OM0C, 3B9/G3TXF, 3XD2Z, 3XM6JR, 3Y9SDA, 4K9W, 4N1A, 4O3B, 4O60BH, 4S7UCG, 5A7A, 5F50KD, 5F50SG, 5T5DY, 5V7SE, 6V6U, 6W1SE, 6Y0B, 7P8/JH4RHF, 7Z1UG, 8J7YAGI, 8P9NX, 8R1AK/p (SA-068), 8R1ZUM, 9H9JR, 9K2GS, 9N7JO, 9Q1TB, A35TN, A41KJ, A71MA, A92GR, BI4F (AS-160), BX5AA, C4M, C5DXC, C6AKQ, CP4BT, CP6IB, CU2A, D44BS, DX0JP (AS-051), EA9IE, EK6TA, ES1GO, ES4RD, EX0M, EY8MM, FK8CP, FO5RK, GD6IA, HK0GU, HK1/K8DD, HV0A, HZ1FS, HZ1IK, HZ1SK, J20MM and J20RR (AF-053), J85M, KH6/AA4V, KH8/JA8GAX/M (OC-077), KH8/N9YU, KP2/AA6YQ, KP2/K3TEJ, LU/R1ANF, LU1ZAB, LY80R, MD/AC8W, NH6P, OX3JZ, PY0S/PS7JN, PZ5RA, R1ANF, R1FJT, ST2A, ST2BF, SV9CVY, T32MO (OC-084), T49C, T77C, TI5/WJ7R, TI5N, TM5F, TR8CA, TU2/F5LDY, TX5NK, TY5MR, V26G, V31BH, V31MD, V31YN, V63UA, V73ZZ (OC-028), V73ZZ, V85SS, VK9AA, VO1CT, VP5/WJ20, VP5W, VP8DKG, VP8LP, VU2PHD, VU7LD, VY0ICE/VE2, XF4DL, XF4K, XR7C (SA-018), XT2C, XT2CG, YI9KT, YI9RKB, YN4SU/9, YX0LIX, YX5IOTA, Z34M, ZA/UT7DW, ZB2EO, ZB2FK, ZC4LI, ZD7VC, ZD8QD, ZD8RH, ZD8WX, ZD9ATN, ZD9BV, ZS4U, ZY6T (SA-023).

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